National Transportation Safety Board NTSB ID: DCA07MA003 Aircraft Registration Number: N929CD FACTUAL REPORT Occurrence Date: 10/11/2006 Most Critical Injury: Fatal Occurrence Type: Accident Investigated By: NTSB Location/Time Nearest City/Place State Zip Code Local Time Time Zone NY 1442 **EDT** Manhattan, NYC Distance From Landing Facility: Direction From Airport: Airport Proximity: Aircraft Information Summary Aircraft Manufacturer Model/Series Type of Aircraft Cirrus Design Corp. **SR-20** Airplane

Air Medical Transport Flight: No

Narrative

Sightseeing Flight: No

Brief narrative statement of facts, conditions and circumstances pertinent to the accident/incident:

On October 11, 2006, about 1442 eastern daylight time, a Cirrus Design SR20, N929CD, operated as a personal flight, crashed into an apartment building in Manhattan, New York City, while attempting to maneuver above the East River. The two pilots on board the airplane, a certificated private pilot who was the owner of the airplane and a passenger who was a certificated commercial pilot with a flight instructor certificate, were killed. One person on the ground sustained serious injuries, two people on the ground sustained minor injuries, and the airplane was destroyed by impact forces and postcrash fire. The flight was operating under the provisions of 14 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 91, and no flight plan was filed. Marginal visual flight rules (MVFR) conditions prevailed at the time of the accident.

The accident airplane departed Teterboro Airport (TEB), Teterboro, New Jersey, about 1429 and was cleared for a visual flight rules (VFR) departure. According to air traffic control (ATC) transcripts, the pilots acknowledged that they were to stay out of the New York class B airspace. After takeoff, the accident airplane turned southeast and climbed to an altitude of about 600 to 800 feet. When the flight reached the western shore of the Hudson River, it turned to the south, remaining over the river, then descended to 500 feet. The flight continued southbound over the Hudson River until abeam of the southern tip of Manhattan, at which point, the flight turned southwest bound. Radar data from John F. Kennedy International Airport (JFK), Jamaica, New York; Newark International Airport (EWR), Newark, New Jersey; and Westchester County Airport (HPN), White Plains, New York, indicated that the accident airplane's altitude varied from 500 to 700 feet for the remainder of the flight.

About 1436, the airplane flew around the Statue of Liberty then headed to the northeast, at which point, it proceeded to fly over the East River. About 1 mile north of the Queensboro Bridge, the airplane made a left turn to reverse its course. Radar contact was lost about 1442. The airplane impacted a 520-foot tall apartment building at 524 East 72nd Street, 333 feet above street level.

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AVIATION	Occurrence Type: Accident													
Landing Facility/Approach In	formation													
Airport Name Airp				D: /	Airport Elevation Runwa			way Used Runway Length			h	Runw	ay Width	
Runway Surface Type:														
Runway Surface Condition:														
Type Instrument Approach:														
VFR Approach/Landing:														
Aircraft Information														
Aircraft Manufacturer Cirrus Design Corp.				Model/Series SR-20								Serial Number 1230		
Airworthiness Certificate(s): Norm	al		-											
Landing Gear Type: Tricycle														
Homebuilt Aircraft? No							Certified Max Gross Wt.					er of Engines: 1		
Engine Type: Reciprocating	_	Engine Manufacturer: Model/Series: Teledyne Continental IO-360-E(6)								Rate 200	d Power: HP			
- Aircraft Inspection Information														
Type of Last Inspection	Date of	Oate of Last Inspection Time Sin				nce Last Inspection Hours			Airframe Total Time Hours					
- Emergency Locator Transmitter (ELT) Information													
ELT Installed?	ELT Operat	ed?				ELT	Aided i	n Locating Ac	cident S	ite? No)			
Owner/Operator Information														
Registered Aircraft Owner	Stre	Street Address												
Cory Lidle			City	City State								е	Zip Code	
Operator of Aircraft			Stre	et Add	ress						•			
Same as Reg'd Aircraft Owner	City	City								е	Zip Code			
Operator Does Business As:			•				Ol	perator Desig	nator Co	de:				
- Type of U.S. Certificate(s) Held: 1	None													
Air Carrier Operating Certificate(s)	:													
Operating Certificate:					Operator C	ertific	ate:							
Regulation Flight Conducted Under: Part 91: General Aviation														
Type of Flight Operation Conducted	d: Personal													
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AJ	VIATI	QN		Occurren	ce Type: Ac	cident							
First Pilot Inform	nation												
Name	Name City									Sta	ate	Date of Birth	Age
On File													34
Sex: M Seat C	Occupied	Left	Pri	ncipal Profes	sion:				C	Certifica	ate Numl	ber:	
Certificate(s): Private Airplane Rating(s): Single-engine Land													
Airplane Rating(s):	Sing	le-engine La	and										
Rotorcraft/Glider/LTA: None													
Instrument Rating(s): None													
Instructor Rating(s): None													
Type Rating/Endorsement for Accident/Incident Aircraft? Current Biennial Flight Review? 02/2006													
Medical Cert.: Clas	s 3	Medica	al Cert. Statu	s: Without \	Waivers/Lim	nitations	- ' -		Date of	Last M	ledical E	xam: 10/2005	
- Flight Time Matrix			This Make and Model	Airplane Single Engine	Airplane Mult-Engine	Night	t	Actual	Instrument simulated		Rotorcraft	Glider	Lighter Than Air
Total Time	otal Time 88 13												
Pilot In Command(PI	ilot In Command(PIC) 4												
Instructor									_				
Last 90 Days		14											
Last 30 Days	Last 30 Days 0									_			
Last 24 Hours		0				 							
Seatbelt Used? Ye	s	Shou	ılder Harnes	s Used? Yes	i		Гохіс	oxicology Performed? Yes Second Pilot? Yes					
Flight Plan/Itiner	ary												
Type of Flight Plan	Filed: No	one											
Departure Point							Stat	te /	Airport Ident	fier	Depa	rture Time	Time Zone
Teterboro Airpo							NJ	-	ГЕВ		1429		EDT
Destination							Stat	te /	Airport Ident	ifier			
Local Flight													
Type of Clearance:	VFR												
Type of Airspace:													
Weather Informa	ation												
Source of Briefing: Unknown													
Method of Briefing:													
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Weather	Information													
WOF ID	Observation Time	Time Zone	WOF	Elevati	on	WOF D	OF Distance From Accident Site Direction From Accident S					Site		
		EDT		Ft.	MSL				NM Deg. N				g. Mag.	
Sky/Lowos	st Cloud Condition: Cle	L						AGL	Condition o	f Liak	nt: Day		3 - 3	
-								AGL	Condition o	Ligi	п. Бау			
Lowest Ce	iling: Overcast	1800 Ft. AGL Visibility: 7 SM Altimeter: 29.90						"Hg						
Temperatu	ure: 17 °C	Dew Point:	1	3 °C	Wind	Direction	n: 60			Dei	Density Altitude:			
Wind Spee	ed: 6	Gusts:			Weath	ner Cond	Itions at A	ccident S	dent Site: Visual Conditions					
Visibility (F	RVR): F1	t. Visibility	(RVV)		SM	Intensi	ty of Preci	pitation:						
Restriction	s to Visibility: No Obs	scuration; No	Precipitat	ion										
Type of Precipitation:														
Accident	Information													
Aircraft Da	Airc	Aircraft Fire: Ground					Aircraft Exp	losio	n Ground					
Classificati	on:													
- Injury Su	mmary Matrix	Fatal	Serious	Mino	r	None	TOTAL							
First Pi	ilot	1						1						
Second	d Pilot	1						1						
Studen	t Pilot													
Flight I	nstructor													
Check	Pilot													
Flight E	Engineer													
Cabin /	Attendants													
Other (Crew													
Passer	ngers													
- TOTAL A	ABOARD -	2						2						
Other 0	Ground		1		2			3						
- GRANE	O TOTAL -	2	1		2			5						

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